



# **Command Sergeant Major Neil Ciotola**

## **Corps Sergeant Major, Multinational Corps - Iraq**

Command Sergeant Major Neil L. Ciotola is a native of New Jersey. He enlisted in the Army on the 3rd of August 1976 and attended One Station Unit Training as an Armor Crewman at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

His overseas assignments include three tours in the Federal Republic of Germany, and two in the Persian Gulf. His stateside assignments include tours at Fort Hood Texas, Fort Stewart Georgia, Fort McPherson Georgia, Fort Knox Kentucky and Fort Lewis Washington. He has served in a variety of duty positions to include; tank driver, loader, gunner, tank commander, tank platoon sergeant, Cavalry Troop First Sergeant, battalion and theater Army headquarters Master Gunner, Operations Sergeant Major, infantry battalion (BCT) CSM, Cavalry Squadron (OSUT) CSM, Command Sergeant Major of the 1st Battalion 33rd Armor and Command Sergeant Major of the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Command Sergeant Major, 1st Cavalry Division. He is currently assigned as the Command Sergeant Major of III Corps and Fort Hood.

Command Sergeant Major Ciotola has attended various military schools to include; the Primary Non Commissioned Officers Course, the Basic Non Commissioned Officers Course, the Battalion Training Management System Course, the Leadership and Management Development Course, the Nuclear Biological and Chemical defense Course, M60A3 Master Gunner Course, the Advanced Non Commissioned Officers Course, the M1/M1A1 Master Gunner Course, Airborne School, Air Assault School, the Operations and Intelligence Course, the U.S. Army Sergeant's Major Academy, and the Command Sergeant's Major Designee Course at Fort Bliss Texas.

Command Sergeant Major Ciotola's awards and decorations include; the Bronze Star (1OLC), the Meritorious Service Medal (6th Oak Leaf Cluster), the Army Commendation Medal (5th Oak Leaf Cluster), the Army Achievement Medal (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster), the National Defense Service Medal (with one Bronze Star), the South West Asia Service Medal (with three Bronze Stars), the Iraq Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Saudi Arabian Defense Medal, the Kuwait Liberation Medal, the Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge and the German Armed Forces Marksmanship medal in Silver.

Command Sergeant Major Ciotola is married and has one son.